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REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.28(a)

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Dear Sir:

On September 21, 2000, prior to the 30-month deadline from the claimed priority date (filed under P.C.T. Chapter II), Applicants remitted the large-entity U.S. National Fee of \$1,222.00, to cover the Basic National Fee (\$970.00) and

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the pendency of 14 additional claims (\$252.00), in excess of the twenty claims covered by the Basic U.S. National Fee.

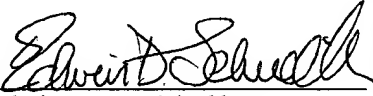
Accompanying the present submission, is a Small Entity Statement (Small Business Concern) for the purpose of allowing Applicants to establish a claim to Small Entity status for the purpose of the payment of certain fees in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

In view of the concurrent submission of the accompanying Small Entity Statement, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.28(a), Applicant respectfully requests a refund of \$611.00, or one-half of the total U.S. National Fee paid on September 21, 2000.

The Office is requested to credit said refund to the Deposit Account of Applicants' Attorney, Account No. 19-0450. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for billing purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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